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SUBJECT: US-FRG ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT

1. EPA RECORDS NOT CLEAR AS TO WHETHER COPY OF FOLLOWING LETTER WAS SENT TO EMBASSY. ORIGINAL WAS DATED AND SENT NOVEMBER 28.
2. "DEAR DR. KOLBLE: THANK YOU FOR THE MANY KINDNESSES WHICH YOU EXTENDED TO US DURING OUR RECENT VISIT TO BONN. YOUR PERSONAL EFFORT TO MAKE OUR VISIT SO ENJOYABLE IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. MRS. BLUM HAS SUGGESTED THAT YOU COME TO WASHINGTON IN JANUARY FOR A COORDINATOR'S MEETING, AND I HOPE TO HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO RECIPROCATATE YOUR GENEROUS HOSPITALITY.

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I HAVE ENCLOSED OUR VERSION OF THE NEW OUTLINE OF THE US-FRG ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT, ALONG THE LINES DISCUSSED BY DIETER KUPFER AND DAVID STROTHER. IF IT SQUARES WITH YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE AGREEMENT MIGHT BEST BE REARRANGED, WE CAN FORMALLY APPROVE IT. THE TOPIC OF NOISE IS ELIMINATED SINCE SATISFACTORY CONTACTS ARE MAINTAINED THROUGH THE OECD. ALTHOUGH IT HAD BEEN PROPOSED

THAT THE GASOLINE AND FUEL SPECIFICATIONS BE MOVED TO THE GENERAL PROJECT ON INFORMATION EXCHANGE, I

BELIEVE IT IS PREFERABLE TO ELIMINATE THEM ENTIRELY FROM THE LIST OF TOPICS, SINCE THERE HAS BEEN SUCH A LOW LEVEL OF ACTIVITY. EPA WOULD, OF COURSE, BE HAPPY TO RESPOND TO FUTURE REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON THESE SUBJECTS. SINCERELY YOURS, ALICE BRANDEIS POPKIN, ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES."

3. PROPOSED OUTLINE:

"PROPOSED OUTLINE FOR REORGANIZATION OF THE US-FRG ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT

1. INFORMATION EXCHANGE: A. GENERAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE: THIS WOULD CONTINUE THE EXISTING INFORMATION EXCHANGE. B. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT: THIS WOULD BE A SPECIALIZED EXCHANGE FOCUSED ON RESEARCH ACTIVITIES AND PLANNING, AS WELL AS THE LATEST PAPERS OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ON SELECTED SUBJECTS.

2. ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIMEN BANK: WORK PROCEEDING AS DISCUSSED BY MRS. BLUM AND DR. HARTKOPF; UBA AND THE BMFT INVOLVED ON THE GERMAN SIDE; EPA AND NBS ON OURS. EPA TO PROPOSE A WAY TO ARRANGE SWEDISH PARTICIPATION. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. SOLID WASTE: EPA IS CURRENTLY RE-ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES IN THIS AREA. ON COMPLETION OF THAT ACTIVITY, EPA WILL FORWARD A DESCRIPTION OF ITS PROGRAM AND AN INDICATION OF TOPICS ON WHICH COOPERATION MIGHT BE USEFUL.

4. AIR QUALITY PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT: AS DISCUSSED BY ERICH WEBER DURING HIS VISIT TO EPA OFFICE OF AIR QUALITY PLANNING AND STANDARDS IN EARLY NOVEMBER, THIS PROJECT WILL FOCUS ON SITING OF NEW SOURCES. EACH SIDE WILL SEND ONE EXPERT TO THE OTHER FOR ONE WEEK DURING THE NEXT YEAR.

5. TOXIC AND OTHER HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES: POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL WORK CAN BE EXPLORED AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL MEETING PROPOSED BY ADMINISTRATOR COSTLE, WHICH WILL PROBABLY TAKE PLACE NEXT APRIL.

6. CONTROL ON AIR POLLUTION FROM COAL-FIRED FACILITIES: WORK IS BEING CARRIED OUT BY EPA AND THE KERNFORSCHUNG-SANLAGE JULICH OF THE BMFT.

7. CONTROL OF AUTO EMISSIONS: CONTACTS AND WORK WILL BE BASED ON CONTACTS BETWEEN ERIC STORK AND DR. HARTMANN OF THE UBA."

4. REQUEST EMBASSY DETERMINE THAT BMI RECEIVED LETTER, AND WHETHER INVITATION WILL BE ACCEPTED. FYI: JANUARY WAS SELECTED IN ORDER TO GIVE KOELBLE OPPORTUNITY FOR TRIP BEFORE RETIREMENT AT END OF JANUARY. END FYI.

5. ABOUT DECEMBER 14, GERMAN EMBASSY RECEIVED FROM MFA A REPORT ON THE BONN DISCUSSIONS OF THE FUTURE SHAPE OF THE US-FRG AGREEMENT. THAT VERSION WAS ORGANIZED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO MAKE IT ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPARE WITH EPA VERSION FORWARDED WITH MRS. POPKIN'S LETTER. FRG EMBASSY THEREFORE SENT COPY OF POPKIN LETTER WITH ATTACHMENT UNCLASSIFIED

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TO MINISTRY, ASKING THEM TO RECONCILE. EMBASSY PREFERRED NOT TO TRANSLATE GERMAN VERSION FOR EPA TO RECONCILE. IF BMI APPROACHES SCICOUNS ON THIS, EPA VERSION WAS PREPARED DIRECTLY FROM DISCUSSION BETWEEN STROTHER AND KUPFER AT MATERNA'S. ONLY DEVIATION FROM THAT IS ELIMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS AND GASOLINE SPECIFICATIONS FROM TOPICS FOR "INFORMATION EXCHANGE." ELIMINATION OF NOISE PROJECT WAS PROPOSED BY FRG AND ACCEPTED BY US. VANCE

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